

# BURGESS BEDTIME STORIES

(By Thornton W. Burgess)

## FUN AND MISCHIEF

The more temptation you resist, Somehow the more it will resist. —Old Mother Nature.

Mother Bear's said they really were imps, were scrambling down from the top of a tall tree where Mother Bear had told them to stay until she returned. They had forgotten all about that. Little Bears and little boys and girls are very much alike in the shortness of their memories. They didn't mean to disobey. No, sir, they didn't mean to disobey at all. They were just so full of curiosity and excitement that there wasn't any room for memory. From the top of that tree they had discovered Farmer Brown's sugar house only a little way off. Never before in their short lives had they ever seen anything at all like this. They just had to have a closer look at it; to try to find out all about it. They just had to.



They turned and scampered back into the woods as fast as their little legs could take them.

to get in! They climbed up on the roof. They climbed all over the roof. It was fun. Yes, sir, it was fun. They climbed down to the ground and sniffed at those cracks some more. They climbed back on the roof. They chased each other around. Finally sister found a couple of loose shingles and pulled them out. It was a long time since that roof had been shingled, and there were other shingles a little loose. The little black imps began hunting for loose shingles and pulling them out. This was fun. Also, it was mischief. But the little Bears didn't know this. All the

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## Contract Bridge

By Josephine Culbertson

### A WORD OF WARNING

A word of warning is due players who, after getting used to the styles of bidding in their own circles, sometimes cut into expert games in the clubs of large cities. Everything is not always what it seems in these games! "Fancy" bids are by no means rare, and this may be rather hard on those players who are accustomed to more "honest" bidding. In particular, be careful about doubling the enemy's slain bids — more careful than East was in this case:

North dealer.  
Both sides vulnerable.

♠ A 9 7	♥ K Q 6	♦ J 10 7 4	♣ K Q 10
♠ 8 2	♥ A K 5 4	♦ 8	♣ J 10 7 4
♠ 6 2	♥ A 10 5 4	♦ 8	♣ K 10 6
♠ 8 6 5 3	♥ 8 2	♦ 8	♣ K 10 6
♠ 6 2	♥ 8 2	♦ 8	♣ K 10 6
♠ 5	♥ 8 2	♦ 8	♣ K 10 6

The bidding:  
North East South West  
1♥ Pass 1♠(?) Pass  
2♣ Pass 5♦ Pass  
5♠ Pass 5NT Pass  
6NT Double Redble. Pass  
Pass Pass

South said later that he had made the fancy response of a spade for several reasons, among which was the hope of discouraging a spade lead against the notrump contract which might be best. Also, South felt that the spade bid might trap the enemy into some unwary action. Obviously it did—viz., East's double of six notrump! North's diamond bid came as a surprise to South, who leaped straight to the diamond game, hoping that North would be able to go on. It was another surprise to South when North bid five spades, and now, still unsure about six diamonds, and not wanting an opening club lead to go through the ace-queen, South bid five notrump. All this undoubtedly had a large influence on East, who ap-

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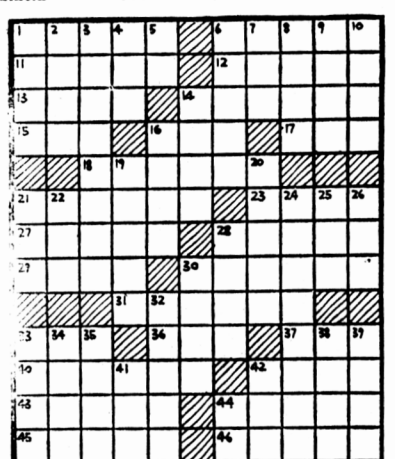
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West opened his top heart — not that the lead mattered. The ace won, and South took the club finesse. He then cashed the spade ace, ran every diamond, and cashed the club ace. This was too much for East, who could not keep stoppers in both spades and hearts. So South ended up by winning all the tricks and scoring 2580 points!

## DAILY CROSSWORD

- ACROSS**
- Flute player
  - A cion (Hort.)
  - Gods of peace
  - Of the moon
  - Nobleman
  - Indicate
  - Half cms
  - Body of salt water
  - Born
  - Land surrounded by water
  - A court fool
  - Grate
  - Performed
  - Cinema
  - Sudden rush of wind
  - Secret
  - Youngster (colloq.)
  - Public notices
  - Boasting (poet)
  - Distress signal
  - Be wary
  - A taunt
  - Antelope (So. Afr.)
  - Pry
  - Cares for
  - Sand hills
- DOWN**
- Heap
  - Metal
  - Perceives
  - Conclude
  - Music note
  - Gather, as grain, after reapers
  - Flow
  - Soon
  - Destiny
  - Woody perennial
  - Costly
  - Vehicle with runners
  - Marks indicating "Let it stand"
  - Head of cattle
  - Sharp projecting point
  - A court fool
  - Grate
  - Performed
  - Cinema
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Yesterday's Answer  
41. Particle of addition  
42. Antelope (So. Afr.)  
44. South Dakota (abbr.)



## DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE—Here's how to work it:

AXYDLBAAXR  
is LONGFELLOW

One letter simply stands for another. In this example A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophies, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

A Cryptogram Quotation  
TM AHB GPXM H LCLX ATC DTCVWTD  
DTM BVJ THN EPBMJ DC TMHE TPZ  
LECA —MGPHD.

Yesterday's Cryptogram: IF EYES WERE MADE FOR SEEING, THEN BEAUTY IS ITS OWN EXCUSE FOR BEING—EMERSON.

By Al Capp

## KING OF THE ROYAL MOUNTED



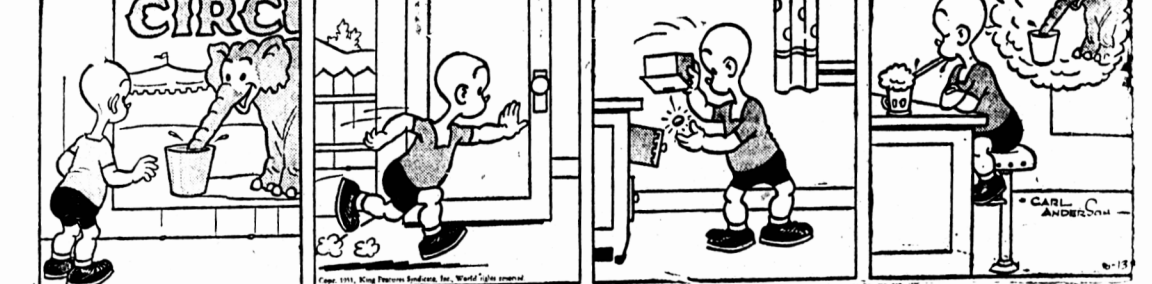
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## JOE PALOOKA



By Carl Anderson

## HENRY



By Ruford

## DOTTY DIPPLE



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